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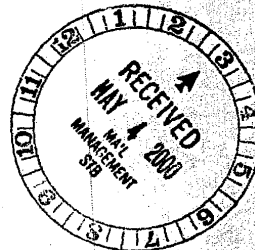
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Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
Case Control Unit
Attn: STB Ex Parte No. 582 (Sub-No. 1)
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington D.C. 20423-0001



Re: Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Major Rail Consolidation Procedures, STB Ex Parte No. 582 (Sub-No. 1)

Dear Secretary Williams:

I&M Rail Link, LLC ("I&M"), Montana Rail Link, Inc. ("MRL") and Southern Railway of British Columbia Limited ("SRY") each respectfully requests leave to late-file a notice of intent to participate in the above-referenced proceeding as a party of record. Because written comments are not due until May 16, 2000, and because the Surface Transportation Board (the "Board") has not yet finalized the service list for this proceeding,¹ no party will be prejudiced by the Board's acceptance of this filing. I&M, MRL and SRY intend to participate separately in this proceeding; however, for purposes of administrative efficiency, Jo A. DeRoche will receive materials in this proceeding on behalf of all three of these entities. Ms. DeRoche's address should be identified on the service list as follows:

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¹ The Board's decision in this proceeding, served April 28, 2000, provides that people identified on the service list have until May 4, 2000, to make changes, corrections or deletions to the service list.

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Enclosed for filing in this proceeding are 25 copies of this letter. Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by date-stamping the enclosed acknowledgment copy and returning it to our messenger.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rose-Michele Weinryb".

Rose-Michele Weinryb